

IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED OFFICE (DO/US)

In Re the Application of:

BURSAUX et al.

Int'l Serial No.: PCT/GB03/00932

Int'l Filing Date: March 6, 2003

Priority Date: March 6, 2002

U.S. Serial No.: 10/506,392

Atty. File No.: 7096SO-27

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR DEPLOYING ARTICLES
IN DEEP WATERS

37 C.F.R. § 1.182 PETITION FOR
REFUND OF A THREE-MONTH
EXTENSION FEE PAID UNDER
37 C.F.R. § 1.136

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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the PTO grant this 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 Petition to Refund a Three-Month Extension Fee Paid Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. On September 1, 2004, Applicants filed a national stage application for the above-referenced invention under 35 U.S.C. § 371 with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). On **January 14, 2005**, the USPTO allegedly mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (hereinafter "the Notification") having a due date of **March 14, 2005**. Attorneys for the Applicants, however, never received a mailed copy of the Notification. Only on May 23, 2005, after two phone calls inquiring as to the status of the application, did the Attorneys for the Applicants receive a faxed copy of the Notification from Mr. Harry Kim at the PCT Help Desk of the USPTO (enclosed herewith as Exhibit A).

On June 14, 2005, to ensure the present application would not be abandoned, Applicants submitted (i) a new declaration, (ii) a \$130 surcharge for providing the declaration later than 30

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months from the priority date, and (iii) a Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time along with a \$1020.00 fee with this submission so as to file the required papers within the original period for response, namely **March 14, 2005** plus a three month extension to **June 14, 2005**. A copy of the June 14, 2005 submission is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Applicants hereby request that the fee paid for the three-month extension of time be refunded because Attorneys for the Applicants never received a mailed copy of the January 14, 2005 Notification, and only received a faxed copy of the Notification on May 23, 2005.

Also enclosed herewith this Petition to Refund a Three-Month Extension Fee Paid Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a copy of the docket report at the Attorneys for Applicants' correspondence address showing that no such Notification was received and entered at the correspondence address between January 1, 2005 and May 23, 2005 (attached hereto as Exhibit C); and (3) a declaration from Denise Coriell, docket clerk at the correspondence address for this application, swearing that (a) that no copy of the Notification was received at the correspondence address until May 23, 2005; and (b) that no employee, including herself, at the correspondence address received a copy of the Notification until May 23, 2005 (attached hereto as Exhibit D).

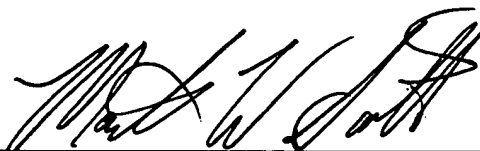
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that the PTO grant this Petition to Refund a Three-Month Extension Fee Paid Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. Please charge any underpayment or debit any overpayment for this petition to Deposit Account 19-1970 and please credit the fee for the three-month extension of time, if this petition is granted, to Deposit Account 19-1970.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		ATTORNEYS DOCKET NO.
		7096SO-27
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 35 CFR 1.5)
		10/506,392
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/GB03/00932	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE March 6, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED March 6, 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DEPLOYING ARTICLES IN DEEP WATERS"		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US BURSAUX, Gabriel Andre; WILLIS, Stewart Kenyon; ALLIOT, Vincent; FRAZER, Ian; and VENNEMANN, Olav		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> A English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 		
Items 11 to 10 below concern document(s) or information included:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 1.54(d)(4). 19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Postcard Receipt; Copy of Notification 		

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21. The following fees are submitted: <input type="checkbox"/> a) Basic national fee \$300.00 <input type="checkbox"/> b) Examination fee \$200.00 <input type="checkbox"/> c) Search fee \$500.00 <div style="text-align: right;">TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$1,000.00</div>					Applicant use	Office use only

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Total claims	- 20 =		x \$50.00	\$		
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =					\$	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) \$40.00 per property					\$	
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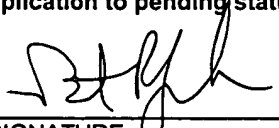
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	Filing Date		
	Group Art Unit		
		Examiner Name	

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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(Title of the Invention)

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119 (a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or §365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any Pct international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States of PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code § 112.1 acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Name of Sole or First Inventor: ☐ A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor

Given Name: **Gabriel** Middle Initial: **A.** Family Name: **Burseaux** Suffix: **e.g. Jr.**

Inventor's Signature:  Date: **05 FEB 2005**


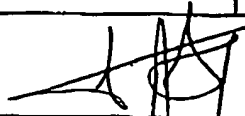
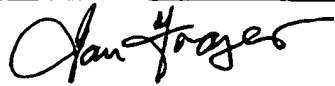

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Inventor's Signature							Date	13/10/04					
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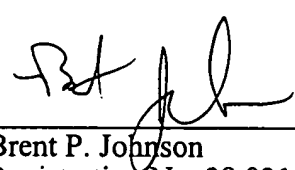
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This is a request for a three-month extension of time for response to the Notification of Missing Requirements with a mailing date of January 14, 2005, thereby extending the period of response from March 14, 2005 to June 14, 2005. Enclosed is the \$1,020.00 fee.

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Dear Sir:

The undersigned declares as follows:

1. I, Denise Coriell, am a member of the firm of Sheridan Ross P.C. ("Attorneys for the Applicants"), located at 1560 Broadway, Suite 1200, Denver, Colorado 80202 ("the correspondence address"), who are the Attorneys for the Applicants for application Serial No. 10/506,392, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DEPLOYING ARTICLES IN DEEP WATERS."

2. I regularly maintain a docket that documents each piece of correspondence received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO"), and I track the time period(s) for response, if necessary, for each correspondence.

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3. Based on my own personal knowledge, I did not receive at any time by mail Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office for Application Serial No. 10/506,392 that was allegedly mailed from the USPTO on January 14, 2005.

4. To my knowledge, on May 11, 2005, Attorneys for the Applicants left a voicemail message for Mr. Harry Kim at the PCT Help Desk of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to inquire about the status of Application Serial No. 10/506,932.

5. On May 20, 2005, Mr. Harry Kim informed Attorneys for the Applicants for the first time that a Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office was mailed on January 14, 2005 with respect to Application No. 10/506,392.

6. On May 23, 2005, for the first time, Attorneys for the Applicants received a facsimile copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office from the PCT Help Desk for Application No. 10/506,392 from Mr. Harry Kim at the PCT Help Desk of the U.S. Patent and Trademark.

7. On May 24, 2005, for the first time, I docketed the Notification and set the due date for response as June 14, 2005 with a three-month extension of time.

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